

## **ADVISORY BOARD ON RESPIRATORY CARE**

### **MINUTES**

**May 9, 2002**

The Advisory Board on Respiratory Care met on Thursday, May 9, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions. William Ward, RRT, Chair, called the meeting to order. A quorum was declared.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** William D. Ward, RRT, Chair  
Bonnie McQuaid, RRT  
Curtis D. Givens, Jr., MD  
Martha Huddelson, RRT

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Robert B. Beavers

**STAFF PRESENT:** William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director, Medicine  
Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director-Licensing  
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst  
Nicole Gordon, Recording Secretary

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Tom Travis, RRT  
JoLynn Hamelman, RRT

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2002**

Martha Huddelson moved to approve the minutes of the Advisory Board on Respiratory Care dated September 13, 2001. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Dr. Givens moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS OF AGENDA ITEMS**

Tom Trentis commented on continuing education requirements for Respiratory Care Therapists. JoLynn Hamelman representing VSRC expressed concerns on CE's for renewal. VSRC recommends 20 CE's per biennium.

### **REPORT OF OFFICERS**

There were no reports.

## **#1. REGULATORY UPDATE**

Ms. Yeatts presented the “Board of Medicine Regulatory Actions”, a handout on proposed regulations. The proposed regulations were discussed. It was recommended that 20 continuing education hours be required in order to maintain active licensure; with an addition to **18 VAC 85-40-66 (A)** that states: A. On or after January 1, 2005, in order to renew an active license as a respiratory care practitioner, a licensee shall attest to having completed 20 hours or continuing respiratory care education as approved and documented by a sponsor recognized by the AARC within the last biennium. Martha Huddleson moved to adopt amended regulations as written. The motion was seconded and carried. Ms Yeatts stated that House Bill 1318 places a new exemption under § 54.1-2901 (27). This exemption would be added to the licensed respiratory therapist regulations by emergency regulation. Dr Givens moved to adopt the emergency regulation. The motion was seconded and carried.

## **#2. Wrap-up report from 2002 Session of the General Assembly.**

Information reviewed. No action necessary.

## **#3. Discussion of HB 217 and implications for Advisory Boards-composition, disciplinary panels.**

The bill was discussed and members were advised of any changes to their board.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2002 at 1p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

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William D. Ward, RRT  
Chairman

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William L. Harp, MD  
Executive Director

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